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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-10, 27-29, and 31 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the canceled claims in a continuing application. All of the rejections are moot as a result of cancellation of the above claims. There is no remaining issue which needs to be resolved. Claims 32-35 have been allowed.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any remaining concerns which might prevent the prompt allowance of the application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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